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It is Hoped That in This Way Teachers Will Derive a Greater Amount of Benefit from the Institute Course This Year.

This will be school teachers' week. The public instructors of the county have assembled in this city in annual institute to gather new ideas and inspirations that will better fit them for their duties in inculcating the germs of learning into the youth of the county.

There are two institutes held this year. The city teachers meet in Young Men's Christian association hall and those from the remainder of the county in the main court room of the cour This plan it is hoped will prove beneficial, as it will allow a greater di-vision of the work of the institute than was possible under the old plan, and bring the teacher more closely in touch with the form of information most es-sential in the class of work she is engaged in.

Yesterday's session was largely at tended and much earnestness and in-terest in the work of the institute was displayed by the teachers.

CITY TEACHERS' INSTITUTE. Instructive Talk Given to Them in Y. M.

The morning session of the city teachers' institute was consumed in enrolling the teachers and in making arange ments to begin the actual work of the convention at the afternoon session, which was called to order at 2.15 by Superintendent George Phillips. He in-troduced Professor C. H. Albert, of Bloomsburg State Normal school, who led in the opening prayer in the absence of Rev. Dr. Pearce, of the Elm Park church. The anthem "America" was sung and then Hon. E. E. White. of

School Discipline." Dr. White said he was going to take up the subject of will training and the fact that must be reached is "How to train the will of the child." By the assistance of a diagram on the black-board the teachers were enabled to fol-

low the speaker through all the rami-fications of his subject. The deeds of the child come from the will and the will is moulded from the occasions and ends. Discipline of the school must train the child in character the school must be made an apprentice shop of right living. The child must not be forced to decide what is right, he must be trained to choose the right not from force but voluntarily and cheerfully. It must be a pleasant duty on his part. The first lesson in discip-line is to train the pupil in habits of self control. The second is to train the will habitually every day to right mo-

Virtues to Cultivate. There are seven virtues that every scool must cultivate. The right trainscool must cultivate. The right trans-ing of the will is the vital point in character building. The first duty is regularity. All the home duties of the child must be so arranged as to procure attendance at school, and the child must be taught to attend school from worthy motives. The self repression that every child must use to attend school without interruption for a term

teaches him a lesson of self control.

The second is punctuality. This virtue requires the pupil to be in school each half-day on time, and in the good school the pupil is on time not only in the morning, at recess, and in the afternoon but he is ready at all his exercises. noon, but he is ready at all his exercises. Neatness is the next virtue in the ladder of character building. The first thing done in all schools of reform and mis-sion schools is to teach cleanliness. The speaker said that when he entered a school room the appearance of the pupils is always an index to his opinion formed. Where he sees the pupils observe cleanliness in person, with hair combed, hands clean, shoes clean, tidi-ness in handling books, slates and papers, he is sure that the children are orderly. The one way to get at the conduct of a child is to put him in a condi-

tin that makes him respect himself. Accuracy is the next virtue. It means to hold the child at telling only just what he knows and noth' g else. He must be stopped right the point where he knows no r e. Teachers will get the highest talts in truth telling by exacting ac' cy in work, in speech, and in recitation. Silence is the next duty, but it is a negative virstill it is an important one in trainthe, still it is an important to the will. When a boy is so trained to the will. When a boy is so trained the will. When a boy is so trained as to avoid whispering, giggling, pratiting, etc., he has learned a lesson in self repression that will go a good way in the composition of a useful citizen. Industry or aplication are the positive qualities opposed to silence. A good school is a work shop where the pupils are busy from morning till night. When a young man steps from the high school into a grocery store, the industry he has been accustomed to makes it natural for him to love work and devote his attention to industry.

Obedience the Seventh Virtue.

Obedience is the seventh virtue and the topmost one in the ladder of character building; the other rungs previ-ously mentioned are the step leading to the fulfillment of this one virtue which is the acme of all others in school work. The good school, after having trained the boy to be an obedient pupil, has by that taught him the first lesson in useful

Dr. White concluded his lecture at this point and said he would resume today where he left off. E. R. Newton, of New York, musical director of the institute, gave a five-minutes' talk on music. One mistaken notion, he said, is that teachers think that music in the schools can be taught successfully only by those who are ac-complished musicians. He proposes to give a very simple and withal practi-cal instruction in music during the in-

cal instruction in music during the in-stitute,
Dr. S. H. Albro, principal of Mans-field State Normal school, who was to speak on "Inspiration," said he had concluded to occupy the teachers' at-tention with another topic. He then told of a tour of the great lakes and of the western country as far as Montana. His lecture was humorous and pre-sented many topics of geographic knowledge. One fact he said he learned

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while enjoying the voyage on the lakes. It was a revelation to him as to their size. He had believed that these bodies size. He had believed that these bodies of water were small, but he found out that they are oceans. If the lakes were not supplied with any inlet or rain for 160 years it would take that length of time to empty the volume of water at the same rate that it dashes over the cataract at Niagara Falls. Dr. Albro spoke on the cyclones of the west and spoke on the cyclones of the west and gave an interesting description of a visit to Yellowstone park.

Selection of Secretaries. Superintendent Phillips, at the close of Dr. Albro's speech, recommended that two secretaries be appointed to take a record of the institute. Prof. J. C. Lange nominated Miss Josie Lees and Prof. H. L. Burdick nominated Miss Della Evans, the former to look after the intermediate, grammar grades after the intermediate, grammargrades and joint work of the institute and the latter to attend to the primary part of it. Both were unanimously chosen. The institute thereupon adjourned.

SESSIONS AT COURT HOUSE.

Talks by Professor S. H. Albro and Professor Emerson E. White.

The teachers of the county, outside of the city, met at the court house yester-day, where their sessions will be held day, where their sessions will be held during the week, under the direction of County Superintendent J. C. Taylor, In the morning a session was held at which the teachers were enrolled by John A. Moyles, jof. Winton; Frank Whitlock, of Newton; T. G. Osborn, of Lackawanna, and William B. Daniels, of Spring Break of Spring Brook.

Nothing was done save enrolling until

the afternoon session, which was called to order at 2 p. m. by Superintendent

Professor J. M. Eppstein, of Boston, began a course of lessons upon the tonic solfa method. The results were regarded as satisfactory, excepting that a lack of confidence was displayed by hispupils, who failed to sing sufficiently hearty to please the professor.

Dr. S. H. Albro, principle of the Mansfeld State Normal school gave as addicted to the professor.

field State Normal school, gave an address upon "Teaching Morals," and discussed, in a pleasant and conversational manner, the peculiarities of country and town schools, and stating that the meanest teaching took place in a col-lege. He condemned the style of spirit manifested in some schools which be-lieved that the clown was the best fellow, and as long as that spirit prevailed in the schools, the avenues for better education would be closed up. Dr. Albro gave practical advice to the teach-Columbus, O., ex-state superintendent of public instruction of Ohio, was introduced. His lecture as specified in the programme was on "Will Training in ers as to the way to carry out the subject of his address.

Dr. White's Three Threes. Dr. Emerson E. White, of Columbus, O., delivered an address on "The Three Ends" and referred to the pleasure it gave him to renew his acquaintanceship with Pennsylvania. He had been studying the art of teaching for many years and trying to find those simple things, which were fundamental principles in teaching, and which teachers ought to know. He had found three trinities-three threes-to be observed in teaching; they were the three ends to be reached, the three principles underlying those ends, and the three processes to attain the ends. All aimless teaching was poor teaching, and every teacher should see from the beginning, the end of the lesson, and the clearer the end of the lesson was seen, the better the results would be. A teacher required a knowledge of ends to guide her in teaching. There were "crank turners" in schools who did a thing in a mechanical way and could not give any reason why they did so, but a teacher should always prepare her class with a pur-pose, an idea and an end. How were they to know whether they were succeeding or failing in their work? To know this they must have results, and required a knowledge as to the end to test devices of which school literature

was so crowded, which he called "the tricks of the trade." How to know whether the device they were employing was a good one? There was only one method to test its efficac, and that was to apply the supreme doctrine of end. If the end was not good the device must be dismissed, if it was a good one, the next question, is it the best one? That is the point the teacher should always bear in mind. No teacher is justified in experimenting on a child with an unknown or untested device. The three ends of teaching were knowledge, power and skill, and the learned gentleman entered exhaus-tively into the details of each.

The sessions of the county institute will resume at the court youse this morning at at 9 a. m.

ENTERTAINING LECTURE. Delivered by Professor DeMotte on the

Secret of Character Building. The large audience which gathered in the Frothingham last evening to hear Professor John B. DeMotte, of Cambridge, Mass., lecture on "The Secret of Character Building" were furnished with an admirable treat. The lecture was given as one of the features of the teachers' institute, now in session, and any who had expected to hear a dry and unlivened treatise of the secret of good orals, certainly left the theater agree ably disappointed. Professor DeMotte

particularly emphasized three points: "You cannot waste your vitality; have an inward reverence for your own body; thoughts are deeds which may become crimes." The lecture was ac-companied by excellent stereopticon

views.

Nearly an hour was devoted by Pro-fessor DeMotte in illustrating the sus-ceptibility of the eye, car and other organs of sense, whose every act de-pends on the training which the mind has given. Whichever way the life is bent the nerve tracts will so train themselves as to be involuntary and master ful. Under the dominion of unsound nerve tracts humanity is forced to do what it would not do.

Not a Believer in Phrenology. He scouted the possibility of any re-iance upon phrenology and affirmed that the fingers of so-called phrenolo-gical experts moving over the head's surface can no more detect the char-acter within than can shingles tell to a darkey how many hams are in a smoke

Our thoughts, he said, depend on the deeds we do. The nerves become specialized and purposeful. To do a difficult act which has been often performed the nerves don't ask how to work; the nerve tract has been made independent of mind almost. This thought led to a consideration of the attitude of parents toward boys or girls. Society has taken a fearful obligation in its practice of sheltering the girls and forcing the boy out into the

bad of the world.

The blackest of all curses, he said, are neglected opportunities. One may extract a nail from a board, but noth-ing can extract the hole. It is a slaning can extract the hole. It is a sian-der of God to blame His infinite gener-osity for the temptations of the world; it is a slander to blame the devil for it; it is humanity which is at fault. Man is so constructed that he may make of himself what he will.

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SITE FOR THE NEW CHURCH

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A largely attended meeting was held at the First Presbyterian church last night when E. P. Kingsbury presided over a conference of the church members to consider the question of purchasing a site on which to erect a new

church. Judge Hand and C. F. Mattes ex plained that the parsonage had been sold for \$37,500, which money would soon be at the disposal of the trus tees, and it was suggested to the meeting that it was highly desirable to se cure a site in view of the possible erection of a new church. The trustee had options on the following properties The reservoir lot on the corner of Mad ison avenue and Olive street, owned by the Scranton Gas and Water com pany, \$30,000; the Watts property on the corner of Vine street and Madison avenue, \$19,500, and the W. F. Smith property on the corner of Jefferson avenue and Olive street, \$25,000.

W. W. Scranton made a plea on be half of remaining in the present church but was quite willing to join hands with the majority. C. F. Mattes and Judge Hand pointed out the necessity of erecting a church nearer the residence of members of their congregation. A. W Dickson also spoke upon the great need of improved Sunday school facilities which could best be obtained in a new church. Judge Knapp and Attorney Hannah also took part in the discuss ion, and ultimately a vote was taken with the following result: For the reservoir property, 68; Watts property, 12; Smith property, 4.

The trustees were thereupon author ized to acquire the reservoir property and to sell the site of the present church. The board of trustees were also appointed a committee to secure plans for the erection of a new parsonage.

ANOTHER CONVENTION.

Y. W. C. A. Srate Convention Will Meet

at Scranton Nov. 9-12. The Young Women's Christian asso clation state convention will meet it Scranton on Nov. 9 and continue until Nov. 12. Scranton has become nowned as a convention center, and an attractive programme is being prepared for the forthcoming gathering.

Mrs. Coravell T. Boyd, formwly international sceretary, will attend. Mrs.
Boyd was recently appointed general superintendent of the Secretarial Training school, and will conduct the teachers' conference, to which invita-tions will be extended to all the teachers in the city. Mrs. R. F. Morse, of New York, and Miss Agnes Hill, form erly general secretary of Toledo, wil also be present. Miss Hall will, in a few weeks, leave for Madras, India, to act as the general secretary of the local association there. Other ladies of note have promised to attend, and the con-vention will be one of unusual import-

BOARDER DREW A KNIFE.

Now Pritchard Is Sojourning for Thirty Days in Jail. What might have been a serious and possibly fatal quarrel in the North End late Sunday night was interrupted by Patrolman Johler, who succeeded in placing the aggressor under arrest. Shadrick Pritchard, aged 28 years, miner, had some difference with Mr and Mrs. William Sage, with whom he boarded at 314 Putnam street. During the quarrel which followed Pritchard drew a knife and threatened the lives of both Mr. and Mrs. Sage. The hus-band notified the police and Patrolman Johler arrested Pritchare.

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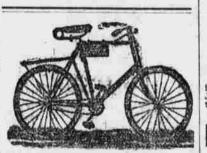
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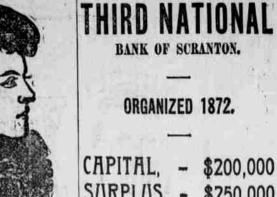


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